

Senate Resolution 863

By: Senator Hooks of the 14th

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life and service of Sheriff George Edward Goare and dedicating a bridge in his
2 honor; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, George Edward Goare was born April 21, 1937, in Webster County and served
4 the county as deputy sheriff under Sheriff Richard Johnson from June, 1965, until he won
5 election as sheriff in November, 1972; and

6 WHEREAS, George Edward was a devoted sheriff and worked to keep the peace and help
7 others in need throughout his career; and

8 WHEREAS, he was a devoted family man and was very proud of his wife, Sandra, and twin
9 sons, Mike and Mitch; and

10 WHEREAS, he graciously served Preston Methodist Church where he was a Sunday school
11 teacher and enjoyed leading the singing each Sunday; and

12 WHEREAS, George Edward was an enthusiastic supporter of the Georgia Sheriff's Boys
13 Ranch in Hahira, Georgia; and

14 WHEREAS, the citizens of Webster County have hung a portrait of George Edward in the
15 courthouse in appreciation of his service to the county; and

16 WHEREAS, Sheriff George Edward Goare was killed in the line of duty on April 11, 1985;
17 and

18 WHEREAS, it is only fitting that this man of service be honored with a lasting memorial to
19 his life well lived.

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
21 GEORGIA that this body hereby joins in honoring the life and memory of Sheriff George
22 Edward Goare and dedicates the bridge on US 280/SR 27 in Webster County over
23 Lanahassee Creek as the Sheriff George Edward Goare Memorial Bridge.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and
25 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the Sheriff George Edward Goare
26 Memorial Bridge.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
28 to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to the family of Sheriff Goare and the
29 Department of Transportation.